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Remarks

Claim 18 is being canceled without prejudice. Claim 11 is being amended to include the subject matter of claim 15 and claim 14 from which it depends with former claims 14 and 15 also being canceled. Claims 1-13, 16, 17 and 19 are pending and in order for prompt allowance.

Interview Summary

The Examiner called the undersigned on January 4, 2011 to discuss the Appeal Decision mailed December 27, 2010 affirming the Examiner in part and reversing the Examiner in part. In that decision as summarized at pages 19 and 20, the Examiner was affirmed as to claim 18 and as to claims 11-14, but otherwise reversed. The Examiner suggested that if claim 18 was canceled and claim 11 was amended to include the subject matter of claim 15 which was dependent upon claim 14, the case would be placed in order for allowance. To this end, the present amendment is being filed by facsimile with a work copy to the Examiner's email duc.doan@uspto.gov.

Conclusion

All of the presently pending claims, as amended, appearing to be in order for allowance, prompt allowance is requested.

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